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ALUMNI  
RELATIONS

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## INTRODUCTORY QUOTES

**VICE-CHANCELLOR**  
**PROF DERRICK SWARTZ**



"Our alumni are extremely important to us. They are ambassadors who can do work that we can never do in all parts of the world. We want them to share and be part of the exciting changes that still lie ahead for NMMU."

**PRESIDENT OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**  
**RANDALL JONAS**



"Alumni are the ambassadors of NMMU. Wherever they go in life, work and society, they express themselves as products of this esteemed institution. The relationship between NMMU and its alumni does not end at the graduation ceremony: there it really begins."

**DIRECTOR ALUMNI RELATIONS**  
**PAUL GESWINDT**



"Alumni represent the success stories of the university not only as graduates but as global citizens making a difference in the various disciplines and sectors. The Alumni Relations Office exists to ensure our alumni remain connected and proud of their alma mater."



# NMMU TODAY



## STUDENTS: 26 103\*

Contact: 23 457

Distance: 2 646

## STUDENT ETHNICITY:

Black: 15 600

White: 6 335

Coloured: 3 584

Indian: 584

## STAFF: 4 828 (Permanent and temporary)

Black: 1 632

Indian: 163

Coloured: 556

White: 2 476

Other: 1

## TOTAL GRADUATES & DIPLOMATES: 93 178

Males: 44 822

Females: 48 356

\*2010 figures

# NMMU VISION 2020

## VISION:

To be a dynamic African university, recognised for its leadership in generating cutting-edge knowledge for a sustainable future.

## MISSION:

To offer a diverse range of quality educational opportunities that will make a critical and constructive contribution to regional, national and global sustainability.

## VALUES:



Respect for Diversity



Respect for Environment



Excellence



Integrity



Taking Responsibility



Ubuntu



## WE VALUE OUR ALUMNI



Our alumni are our success stories.  
Our alumni form our global footprint.  
Our alumni have a permanent relationship with us.  
Our alumni are our most valuable brand ambassadors.



## BENEFITS AND SUPPORT FOR ALUMNI

- **NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES**

Please see our calendar of events on [www.nmmu.ac.za/alumni](http://www.nmmu.ac.za/alumni) where you will find free updates on what is happening at the university and with alumni through social activities, newsletters, the website and social media.

- **LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNTS**

Alumni qualify for library discounts based on their alumni and donor status. Please contact the NMMU Library +27 41 504 2936 for the external member application.

- **FREE ADMISSION APPLICATION FEE FOR ALUMNI AND THEIR CHILDREN**

Please contact the Alumni Relations Office for further details +27 41 504 3935.

- **FURTHER STUDY INFORMATION**

Please contact the Postgraduate Marketing Officer on: +27 41 504 2162 or email [postgrad@nmmu.ac.za](mailto:postgrad@nmmu.ac.za) for further study opportunities or e-mail [alumni@nmmu.ac.za](mailto:alumni@nmmu.ac.za) to facilitate the process.

- **FREE NEWSLETTERS**

Please subscribe to our electronic updates or posted mail by sending your contact details to [alumni@nmmu.ac.za](mailto:alumni@nmmu.ac.za)



# NMMU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



## MISSION

The Association supports and enhances the realisation of NMMU's mission through maintaining and expanding mutually beneficial relationships with its members and through utilising and maximising their expertise, goodwill and influence.

## MEMBERSHIP

Persons to whom a degree or a diploma has been awarded by the university, the former University of Port Elizabeth or the former Port Elizabeth Technikon, including diplomates of the former institutions which preceded the establishment of the Port Elizabeth Technikon: provided that any such person may notify the secretary of the Association in writing that he/she does not wish to continue to be a member of the Association. Any person to whom the Executive Committee of the Association, upon invitation to or application by such person, has been granted membership of the Association.



# ALUMNI ASSOCIATION GOALS AND FUNCTIONS



- To enhance the image of the Association both inside and outside the NMMU community as an important stakeholder body and an asset to NMMU to support the realisation of the university's mission and goals.
- To foster loyalty to and pride in NMMU among members through effective communication so that they may positively influence others.
- To provide and foster the provision of opportunities for Alumni to contribute in financial and other meaningful ways to the advancement of NMMU.
- To provide Alumni with opportunities to benefit from their relationship with the university.
- To promote, protect and maintain the rights of the Alumni Association.

## ALUMNI RELATIONS DIRECTORATE

This Alumni Relations Directorate is responsible for the day to day management and running of the Alumni Association and all matters related to alumni relationship building. The directorate is part of the NMMU Trust.

### FOCUS AREAS OF THE DIRECTORATE INCLUDE:

- Alumni database and information system management
- Alumni communication and relationship building
- Alumni membership and benefit scheme development
- Alumni chapters and interest group development and support
- Development of alumni contribution opportunities
- Celebrating alumni successes through recognition programmes
- Building relationships with current students – our future alumni
- Rendering a lifelong service to our alumni
- University shop development



**Alumni Relations Staff:** Back: Liska Welcome (Administrative Officer), Lyree Boucher (Assistant: Internal Stakeholders), Baakier Abrahams (Shop Manager and Officer: Internal Stakeholders), Wendy Scheepers (Shop Assistant), Mziyanda Bloro (Assistant: Alumni Relations Centre); Front: Paul Geswindt (Director), Santhoshini Ramadu (Coordinator: Chapters, Events and Association Secretariat).

## ALUMNI RELATIONS CENTRE



The Alumni Relations Centre is the official home of alumni at the university and where the alumni staff are based. The centre is situated on the ground floor, Building A, North Campus, Summerstrand. The centre also offers a meeting venue, the PPS Alumni Meeting Room which is a comfortable 16 seater airconditioned meeting venue with six movable square tables and an outside deck. Do pay a visit to the centre.

## NMMU ALUMNI ACHIEVERS

**The Alumni Achiever Awards was introduced in 2010 to showcase alumni who have been immensely successful in their chosen fields.**

### **ADV GERALD FARBER**

Adv Gerald Farber graduated in 1969 and 1971 with a BJuris and an LLB. In 1991 he was elevated to the rank of Senior Counsel by the State President of the Republic. He has held many acting appointments as a judge of the High Court and as several acting appointments as a judge of the Labour Court of South Africa.

### **DAVE RICHARDSON**

Dave graduated in 1979 and 1982 with a BCom and an LLB respectively. He became a professional cricketer and played 42 Tests and 122 One-Day Internationals for South Africa. As ICC General Manager he has served the South African and Eastern Province cricket teams with distinction.

### **ALMORIE MAULE**

Almorie graduated with a BScHons Mathematical Statistics in 1969 and an MSc (cum laude) in 1979. She was the first woman to lead South Africa's largest oil company and the first female chairperson of the South African Petroleum Industry Association.







### **ROYDEN VICE**

Royden graduated with his CTA in 1971 and then qualified as a chartered accountant with Coopers and Lybrand (now PwC). He held the position of CEO of Afrox and then Chairman and CEO for seven years. In 2002, he joined Waco International as a shareholder and CEO.

### **DAVID POWELS**

David graduated in 1982 and 1983 with a BCom (cum laude) and a CTA respectively. He is currently the Managing Director of Volkswagen South Africa.

### **JUNITA LAMPRECHT-VAN DIJK**

Junita was responsible for establishing the NMMU choir in 1994. She graduated with a master's degree (cum laude) in Choir Conducting in 2002. The world-acclaimed choir has performed extensively in the USA and Europe and performed at the official opening of FIFA World Cup festivities in Milan.

### **ARTHUR COY**

Arthur graduated with a BSc in Construction Management in 1976. He started his career at Murray & Roberts, working his way up through the ranks and ending as the Executive Director of Murray & Roberts Contractors Group. Arthur is currently the CEO of Trans African Concessions.

## UNIVERSITY SHOP



The University Shop in the Sanlam Village, University Way, Summerstrand, falls under the auspices of the NMMU Alumni Association and is a fully-fledged Alumni project. It was established to help promote and develop the NMMU brand as a symbol of alumni commitment.

The Shop stocks NMMU branded items such as sports clothing, tracksuits, t-shirts, caps, bags etc. as well as other corporate items like pens, clocks, greeting card, postcards, keyrings, ceramics and other memorabilia.

**Contact the shop on:**

+27 41 504 4371 or [shop@nmmu.ac.za](mailto:shop@nmmu.ac.za) or [www.nmmu.ac.za/shop](http://www.nmmu.ac.za/shop)

## STUDENT ALUMNI SOCIETY (SAS)



The role of the Student Alumni Society is to create internal awareness of what it means to be an alumnus and the value they can add as future graduates of the institution.

The SAS is supervised by an alumni relations officer and is supported by the Alumni Association. Activities include leadership seminars, networking workshops and charity and social events.

For more information visit [www.nmmu.ac.za/alumni](http://www.nmmu.ac.za/alumni) or email [alumni@nmmu.ac.za](mailto:alumni@nmmu.ac.za)

## ROLES ALUMNI CAN PLAY

- Be an ambassador.
- Be a mentor.
- Be an employer.
- Share your knowledge and skills (volunteer professional services, guest lecture, present talks and assist with research).
- Be an advisor.
- Be a governor or trustee.
- Get involved with alumni chapters and clubs.
- Help secure donations for NMMU.
- Be a donor.
- Leave a legacy.
- Continue your studies at NMMU.
- Promote NMMU as a first choice university to others.





## BE AN AMBASSADOR

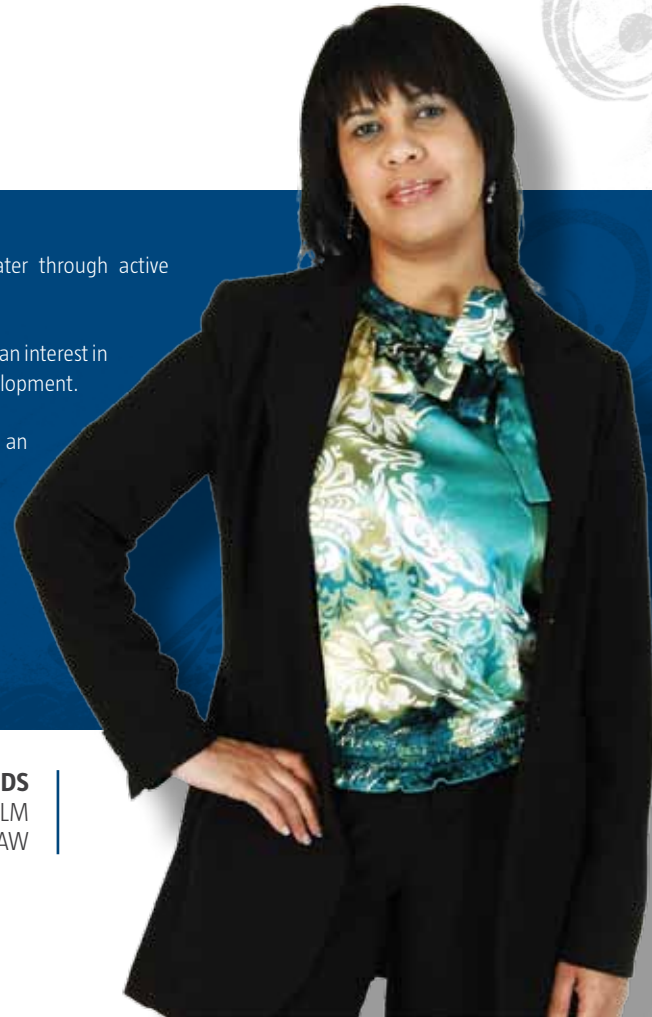
Ambassadors are graduates or diplomates who add value to their alma mater through active involvement in its affairs.

You are proud of your achievements, your qualification, your alma mater. You have an interest in the affairs of your alma mater and you continue to make a contribution in its development.

You offer constructive criticism and you add value being a role model and an ambassador of your alma mater.

### **PROFESSOR VIVIENNE LAWACK-DAVIDS**

BJuris, LLB, LLM  
EXECUTIVE DEAN of LAW



## SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND EXPERTISE

You have learned from experts and became experts in your own right.

Our alumni can 'return to campus' as speakers, guest lecturers, presenters, panellists and even as consultants or advisors.

If you have knowledge, skills or expertise in a specialist field that can add value, please talk to us.

### **AMBER ANDERSON**

BAHons, MA, DPhil  
HR EXECUTIVE



## BE AN ADVISOR, GOVERNOR, TRUSTEE

When others have faith in your expertise and leadership abilities and elect you to represent their interests, than you know that you have done something right in life...

Alumni know their alma mater, faculties and student organisations very well. They are often best suited to add value and make a difference.

Contact the Alumni Relations Director if you are interested in serving your alma mater.

### **KHWEZI BLOSE**

BSc CONSTRUCTION ECONOMICS, BScHons QUANTITY SURVEYING  
ALUMNI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND NMMU CHOIR MEMBER  
ENTREPRENEUR



## GET INVOLVED WITH AN ALUMNI CHAPTER OR CLUB

Our alumni are spread globally. In certain geographic areas we have a high concentration of alumni. An alumni chapter or club is normally established by interested alumni in order to network, socialise and work on an activity programme in support of their alma mater. Chapters or clubs can be structured based on geographic areas, fields or years of study or even a sport or residence link.



**ELMARIE VAN DE MERWE**

NH DIP POST SCHOOL EDUCATION

NH DIP OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION MANAGER



## BE AN EMPLOYER

Our alumni are owners of and occupy strategic positions in organisations globally.

You know the value of an NMMU qualification and how graduates can only gain experience through opportunities granted.

You and your organisation can offer bursaries, vacation work, internships and part-time or full-time employment.

**NEIL HART**  
ND GRAPHIC DESIGN  
MD OF A BRAND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY



## BE A DONOR AND LEAVE A LEGACY

Every contribution helps and makes a difference. Your contributions help secure the future of your alma mater. We all search for a better tomorrow, your contribution can help NMMU become even greater.

The greater your alma mater the greater the value of your qualification. Some of us want to leave something truly memorable.

You have worked hard, you made a success of your life and career and you want to share the fruits of your labor for future generations to benefit.

Your bequest or major gift for a bursary fund, academic chair or building can leave a lasting legacy.

Contact Prof Kotie Grove, Director: Legacies, for individual giving and bequests.

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### ANDREW BINNING

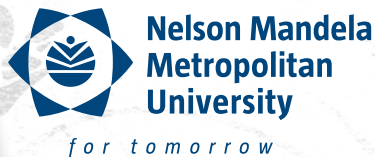
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COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY



# OUR IDENTITY

The Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University logo is a visual expression of what our university stands for, what sets us apart and what we aim to achieve.



## The logo

The circular nature of the outer element suggests cyclical and continuous change – a key element of a university, fostering fresh thinking and innovation. It is also suggestive of a rising sun, a new dawn – the birth of a new university. The circle is a symbol of unity, with the pointed elements suggesting diversity, as well as engagement and interaction, both amongst ourselves and with our stakeholders in the broader external community. The inner element emphasises that we are a people-centred organisation, striving to optimise the potential of all our people. It is also suggestive of a learning and supportive environment. The globe represents our international linkages, as well as our connection to our natural resources.

## The slogan

NMMU is a university “for tomorrow” – we nurture innovation, foster creativity, embrace technology, and develop people to meet the challenges of the world of tomorrow. “For tomorrow” also symbolises our commitment to sustainable development – development that meets today’s needs and can be continued into the future.





*North Campus, Summerstrand*



*South Campus, Summerstrand*



*Bird Street Campus*



*Missionvale Campus*



*George Campus*



*Second Avenue Campus*

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